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NEPA Task Force Web Site Reports a New Feedback Entry:

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Comments: Dear Nepa Task force members,

I have read over information regarding the original NEPA bill of 1970. I do beleive that this bill should if anything be made stronger. There are far too many loop holes for our major polluting industries to use. several hundred thousand tons of toxic smoke, smog and waste dumping is created every year by our big corporations.

The result is a continuous degradation of our natural environment. It is absolutley imperative that all of us come to respect the boundaries of the natural world. We can not afford to allow our corporations to further desecrate the Earth in the manner that they are doing presently....24r hours a day, 365 days a year.

Now I'm not saying this because I am against business. I think that business plays an integral part of

our lives, and I understand some of the issues that corporations have, however serious consideration needs to be put towards making better safe guards for our natural environment.

I think that corporations that make violations should be fined much larger amounts than what is presently administered, and for each time a corporation has a repeat violation the fine rate that is payed would go up quite significantly. This eventualy would get the point across that it is absolutley not okay to conduct business as usual while desecrating the environment.

The problem we have now is that the fines are just too low and corporate executives aren't held acountable for the crimes they commit on the environment. Their are some companies that have literally hundreds if not thousands of routine violations. So why do they keep doing it? Simply because they can afford to. Many corporations seem to be in serious denial of how essential our natural ecosystems are for maintaining a healthy quality of life on this planet.

So lets be smart about this and significantly increase fines and jail terms for our corporate executives. Lets also use these fines to directly improve the environment, and create more jobs. Respecting the Earth needs to be the new standard in the business world. I beleive that we as a nation cannot afford to do otherwise.

It would be sheer idiocy to relax the already soft NEPA provisions. I highly encourage that you take these thoughts into mind when reveiwing and possibly changeing the provisions of NEPA.

I Thank You for your services to our government and good people, and I put my trust in you to make the most logical and appropriate decisions on this matter.

Sincerely,
Waylen Brucker

